

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-24. (cancelled)

25. (currently amended) A wrapped ream of paper, comprising:

a laminated composite wrap material including a first layer of paper having an inner surface and an outer surface, ~~said first layer of paper comprising tissue, air laid fabric, wet laid fabric or creped tissue~~; a second layer of polymer film material having an outer surface and an inner surface; and an adhesive layer between the inner surfaces of said first and second layers;

wherein said laminated composite wrap material wraps said ream of paper, and the inner surface of said second layer of polymer film material is printed before lamination.

26. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein said second layer of polymer film material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene and polyester.

27. (cancelled)

28. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein said adhesive layer comprises a polymer material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylidene chloride, polyethylene acrylic acid, polyester, polyisobutylene, nylon, polymethylpentene, and ethylene vinyl acetate, and copolymers thereof.

29. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a wax/polymer blend.

30. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a hot-melt adhesive.

31. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein one or more of the layers are pigmented.

32. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein the surfaces of the first or second layer comprise a metallized material.

33. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 25, wherein said first and second layers are integrally and continuously bonded together by said adhesive layer.

34. (currently amended) A wrapped ream of paper, comprising:

a laminated composite wrap material including a first layer of paper having an inner surface and an outer surface, ~~said first layer of paper comprising tissue, air laid fabric, wet laid fabric or creped tissue~~; a second layer of polymer film material having an outer surface and an inner surface; and an adhesive layer between the inner surfaces of said first and second layers;

wherein said laminated composite wrap material wraps said ream of paper, and the inner surface of said first layer of paper is printed before lamination.

35. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein said second layer of polymer film material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene and polyester.

36. (cancelled)

37. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein said adhesive layer comprises a polymer material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylidene chloride, polyethylene acrylic acid, polyester, polyisobutylene,

nylon, polymethylpentene, and ethylene vinyl acetate, and copolymers thereof.

38. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a wax/polymer blend.

39. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a hot-melt adhesive.

40. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein one or more of the layers are pigmented.

41. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein the surfaces of the first or second layer comprise a metallized material.

42. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 34, wherein said first and second layers are integrally and continuously bonded together by said adhesive layer.

43. (new) A wrapped ream of paper, consisting of:

a laminated composite wrap material including a first layer of paper having an inner surface and an outer surface; a second layer of polymer film material having an outer surface and an inner surface; and an adhesive layer between the inner surfaces of said first and second layers;

wherein said laminated composite wrap material wraps said ream of paper, and the inner surface of said second layer of polymer film material is printed before lamination.

44. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein said second layer of polymer film material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene and polyester.

45. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein said adhesive layer comprises a polymer material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylidene chloride, polyethylene acrylic acid, polyester, polyisobutylene, nylon, polymethylpentene, and ethylene vinyl acetate, and copolymers thereof.

46. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a wax/polymer blend.

47. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a hot-melt adhesive.

48. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein one or more of the layers are pigmented.

49. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein the surfaces of the first or second layer comprise a metallized material.

50. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 43, wherein said first and second layers are integrally and continuously bonded together by said adhesive layer.

51. (new) A wrapped ream of paper, consisting of:

a laminated composite wrap material including a first layer of paper having an inner surface and an outer surface; a second layer of polymer film material having an outer surface and an inner surface; and an adhesive layer between the inner surfaces of said first and second layers;

wherein said laminated composite wrap material wraps said ream of paper, and the inner surface of said first layer of paper is printed before lamination.

52. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein said second layer of polymer film material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene and polyester.

53. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein said adhesive layer comprises a polymer material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylidene chloride, polyethylene acrylic acid, polyester, polyisobutylene, nylon, polymethylpentene, and ethylene vinyl acetate, and copolymers thereof.

54. (new) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a wax/polymer blend.

55. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein the adhesive layer comprises a hot-melt adhesive.

56. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein one or more of the layers are pigmented.

57. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein the surfaces of the first or second layer comprise a metallized material.

59. (previously presented) The wrapped ream of paper as recited in claim 51, wherein said first and second layers are integrally and continuously bonded together by said adhesive layer.